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### ***Policy***

#### **Policy from the WIC State Operations Policy and Procedure Manual – Policy 410.10 Procurement**

Equipment and services for the state WIC office are procured through the State of Iowa's Department of General Services in accordance with OMB standards. FNS approval is obtained in advance for all vehicle purchases and any equipment over \$25,000.

The Department of General Services tags each item of equipment \$5000 or more with a unique serial number, which is entered in a computerized inventory control system. Monthly reports are available listing equipment inventories for each program area.

All equipment purchases by local agencies are approved in advance by the state WIC office in their categorical budget and are similarly tagged and tracked.

### ***Information***

#### **Welcome Rex DuBois!**

Please welcome Rex DuBois who recently joined the State WIC Office Team as the Vendor Management Coordinator. Rex most recently worked for the Department of Homeland Security, Recovery Bureau as a Disaster Project Officer. Welcome Rex!

#### **Job Posting**

The Scott County WIC Program / Community Health Care Inc. in Davenport Iowa is hiring a WIC Coordinator for Agency 54. Interested candidates can access an online job application by going to: <http://www.chcqca.org/#!/career-opportunities/c15a5> . Details about the position will be posted on the online application.

### **Approved Formula Reminder:**

Please remember that formulas such as Enfamil AR, Enfamil Gentlease, Enfamil Prosobee and Gerber Good Start Gentle are in the system but **only** approved for a select few infants with severe medical problems requiring these products. Other infants are to be issued a comparable approved product.

### ***Participant Centered Services:***

### ***Thank you of the Week:***

### ***eWIC Focus Update***

#### **Agencies Currently Using eWIC/Focus**

Marion County Public Health

Broadlawns

Johnson County Public Health

#### **No Solid Food and Standard Formula**

Currently the Focus system does not allow for an increased amount of formula for infants 6 months or older who are on a standard formula who are not receiving solid foods. There is currently a workaround for this. A 6-11 month food package should be created, the infant foods removed, and the state office will do an Account Balance Correction to increase the formula amount to the 4-5 month level.

### **e WIC Ready Vendor List**

The e WIC Ready Vendor List is a document that shows which stores are eWIC ready throughout Iowa. Participants who have an e WIC card can use their card at the stores listed on this document. It also shows which stores are integrated and which use stand beside systems. This document can be found on the WIC Web Portal under the Training section and on the WIC website under the eWIC section. This list will be updated every Monday. Please let participants know where this document can be found and when they can

check the document for updates.



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## *Training*

### **CEU Opportunity**

If you are a Nurse or Dietitian in need of CEU's see the flier at the end of this edition of Friday Facts for the Healthy Lifestyles Conference hosted by the partners of the Southeast Iowa Regional Coalition for Lifestyle Enhancement.

### **Educational Opportunity (CEU)**

The Nutrition Services Branch in collaboration with UNC – Chapel Hill is pleased to announce that Module 1: Nutrition Assessment of the Pediatric Nutrition Course (PNC) will be offered again in 2016. This is an online, faculty guided, self-paced course of about 25 hours to be completed between January 19, 2016 and March 28, 2016. The goal of this course is to provide nutritionists with the knowledge and skills needed to improve the nutritional health of the pediatric population. Module 1 is designed to improve knowledge and skills specifically in the area of nutrition assessment. It is ideal for new employees in public health nutrition, nutritionists who are new to pediatrics and those who want to broaden their pediatric knowledge base.

Module 1 Nutrition Assessment consists of the following six topics:

- Unit 1: Anthropometrics
- Unit 2: Biochemical
- Unit 3: Clinical
- Unit 4: Food and Nutrition History
- Unit 5: Eco Social Factors
- Unit 6: Psychosocial Factors

This course has been approved by the Commission on Dietetic Registration – Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics for 19 CPEUs - Level 1 for Registered Dietitians (RDs), Registered Dietitian Nutritionists (RDNs), Nutrition and Dietetics Technicians, Registered (NDTRs) and Dietetic Technicians, Registered (DTRs). For all others, 2.0 Continuing Education Units will be awarded from the Friday Center for Continuing Education at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

**Fees:** The course fee is \$50 for public health nutrition personnel in North Carolina Local Health Agencies and pediatric nutritionists in Children's Developmental Services Agencies (CDSAs). The course fee is \$100 for all other applicants, including those who reside outside of the State of North Carolina. Enrollment is limited, and participants will be taken on a first-come, first-serve basis.

An orientation webinar is scheduled for Tuesday, January 12, 2016 from 11 am – 12 pm with fully enrolled students to provide an overview and demonstration of the online course. This live orientation webinar will be recorded for those who are unable to attend.

<p><b>March:</b></p> <p>No NETC this month</p>
<p><b>May:</b></p> <p>No NETC this month</p>
<p><b>July:</b></p> <p>NETC Webinar (All new staff) – July 14, from 8:30-11:30</p> <p>NETC Webinar (Health Professional) – July 21, from 8:30-11:30</p> <p>NETC Webinar (Support Staff) – July 28, from 8:30-11:30</p>
<p><b>September:</b></p> <p>NETC Webinar (All new staff) – September 15, from 8:30-11:30</p> <p>NETC Webinar (Health Professional) – September 22, from 8:30-11:30</p> <p>NETC Webinar (Support Staff) – September 29, from 8:30-11:30</p>
<p><b>November:</b></p> <p>NETC Webinar (All new staff) – November 10, from 8:30-11:30</p> <p>NETC Webinar (Health Professional) – November 16, from 8:30-11:30</p> <p>NETC Webinar (Support Staff) – November 17, from 8:30-11:30</p> <p>***Please note the dates in November***</p>

### ***Dates to Remember-***

- Infant/Child Workshop- August 2, 2016
- WIC Contractor Meeting- August 30, 2016
- Communication and Rapport Workshop- October 26, 2016

Note: Due to state-wide rollout of eWIC the Breastfeeding and Maternal Core Workshops will not be held this year. Instead, CPA/Non CPA Health Professionals hired between March 2015 and March 2016 and any other CPA/Non CPA Health Professional who hasn't yet attended one (or both) of these workshops must complete the designated substitute module(s) found under Core Training Workshops on the Personnel section of the Training

page on the WIC Web Portal. Before beginning the module(s) please see the “Preamble to the 2016 Breastfeeding and Prenatal & Postpartum Nutrition Modules” (also located on the web portal) for more information before starting the module(s).

### ***Available Formula-***

<b>Product</b>	<b>Quantity</b>	<b>Expiration Date</b>	<b>Agency</b>	<b>Contact</b>
Vivonex T.E.N.	60- 2.84 oz. packets	11/2016	State WIC Office	Nicole Newman 515-281-4545
Peptamen Junior 1.5 Cal	114 – 250 ml containers	3 – 6/2016	HACAP	Angela Munson 319-366-7632
Enfaport	17 – 6 packs of 6 oz. containers	4/1/16	HACAP	Angela Munson 319-366-7632
Complete Amino Acid Mix	1 can	10/21/2017	Mid-Iowa Community Action	Sierra Steven 515-232-9020, ext. 105
Keto Cal 3:1, 11 ounce unflavored powder	25 containers	8 containers <u>Expire: 9/4/2016;</u> 2 containers <u>Expire: 6/1/2016;</u> 14 containers <u>Expire: 5/10/2016;</u> 1 container <u>Expires: 4-16-2016.</u>	HACAP	Angela Munson 319-366-7632

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Washington, D.C. 20250-9410;

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